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San Diego Police Department

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Date: July 3, 2009 (Friday) Homicide Unit (619) 531-2425

POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN VALENCIA PARK RESIDENCE

(San Diego) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the shooting death of a male inside a Valencia Park residence this afternoon.

At 2:30 p.m., officers responded to a report of a shooting inside a home in the 5200 block of Santa Margarita Street. They arrived to find a 26-year-old male (the resident of the home) down in a front room. Paramedics transported him to a trauma center, but the victim died at 3:15 p.m.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the victim was in the front room with two companions (Latino males in their early 20's) just before the shooting occurred. After neighbors heard gunshots, the males left the home.

The victim has been positively identified, but his name is being withheld pending family notification. The motive for the crime is not known.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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